

rise to support Senator Wesely's amendment. As cosponsor of the bill to rename the department...the Department of Environmental Quality, I believe it's written in such a way that it will happen next year, not when the bill takes effect, but will take next year...take effect next year as the Revisor of Statutes go through and make changes. Simply done that way to save a few trees and avoid handing out 49 100-page amendment to the bill. I'd support Senator Wesely's effort. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would add to the body that the Natural Resources Committee did hear a bill that Senator Wesely introduced to change the name. I believe it came out of committee unanimously, as Senator Morrissey indicated, or maybe did not indicate. But we asked the director whether or not there would be a lot of unnecessary expense. He's indicated to us that they would use up the stationery and anything identified with the Department of Environmental Control to not affect any substantial cost to the department for this name change. So, with that, I guess I would encourage the body to support Senator Wesely's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rod Johnson. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yeah, I just would have a question. And I think Senator Johnson at least gave a partial answer to it. But I'd ask Senator Wesely what will be the cost implications of this, changing signs, changing letterhead, other sorts of factors along that line. If you could respond to that I'd appreciate it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Yes, Senator Withem, this amendment is contents, basically, of LB 981, the fiscal note on that bill indicated there would be, I quote, there would be a minimal fiscal impact. Again, there's a transition time allowed to, as the papers, and stationery, and documents run out of their supply, they'll go to the new name. And so there really should be next to no fiscal cost.

SENATOR WITHEM: Thank you.